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For: HEAT EXCHANGER ) Group Art Unit : To Be Assigned  
WITH CORE AND SUPPORT )  
STRUCTURE COUPLING FOR )  
REDUCED THERMAL STRESS )  
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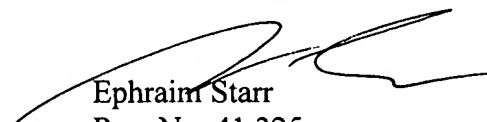
U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS		
US PATENT APPLICATION TITLE	DATE FILED/SERIAL NO.	APPLICANT'S NAME
Heat Exchanger With Bypass Seal Allowing Differential Thermal Expansion	8/31/2000; 09/652949	Yeh et al.
Heat Exchanger With Manifold Tubes For Stiffening And Load Bearing	5/24/2001; 09/864581	Beddome et al.
Heat Exchanger Having Variable Thickness Tie Rods And Method of Fabrication Thereof	2/5/2002; to be assigned	Beddome et al.
Heat Exchanger With Biased And Expandable Core Support Structure	12/21/2001; to be assigned	Beddome et al.

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